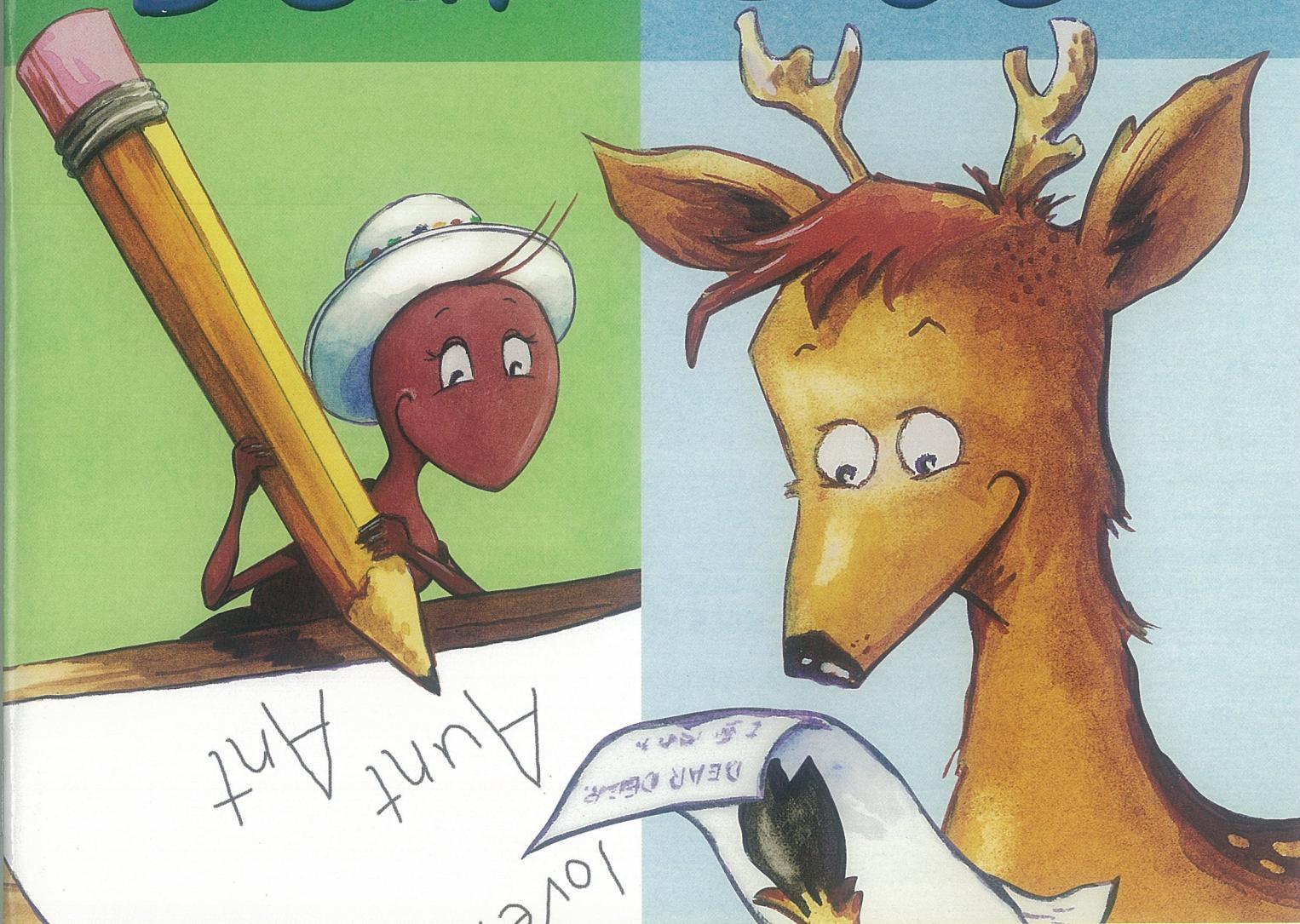


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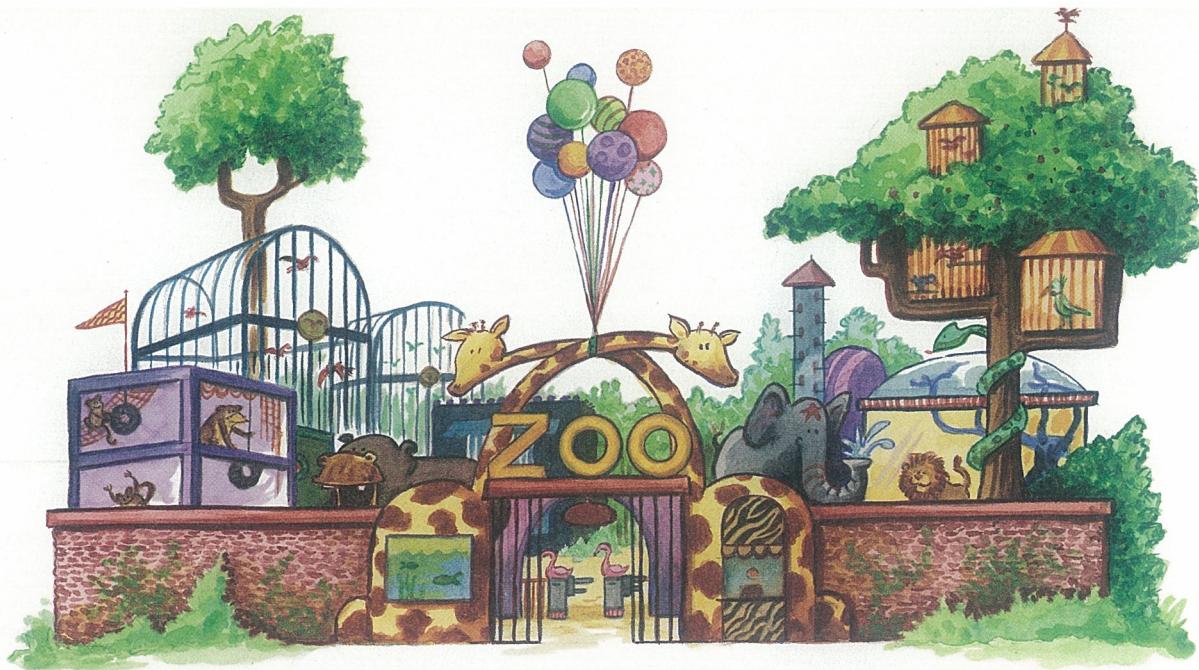




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## A NOTE TO THE READER

**Homophones** are words that sound the same but are spelled differently and have different meanings, such as *moose* (the animal) and *mousse* (the dessert). **Homonyms** are words that sound the same and are spelled the same but have different meanings, such as *bowl* (a round dish) and *bowl* (the sport).



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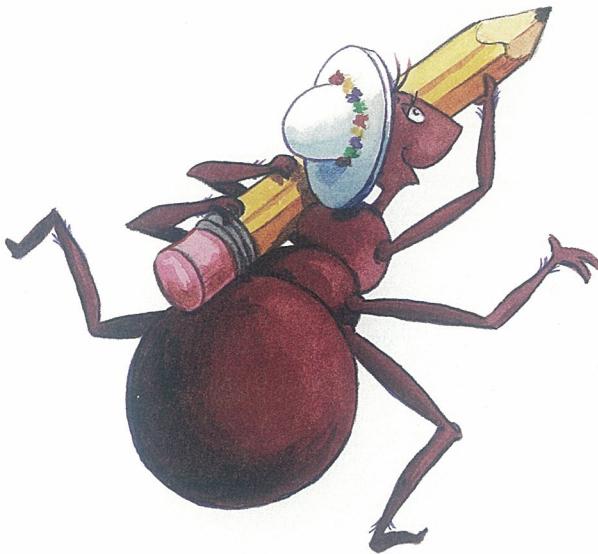
Designed by Laurent Linn

*For my Dearest Leslie (I'm still fawning)  
and all my special Ants: Jane, Kathy, Elaine,  
Caroline, Dot, Dee, Sandi, Norma, Josie*

*—Love, Gene*

**DEAR DEER,**  
*I now live at the zoo. Wait until you **HEAR**  
what goes on over **HERE**.*

*Love,*  
**AUNT ANT**









The MOOSE loves MOUSSE.

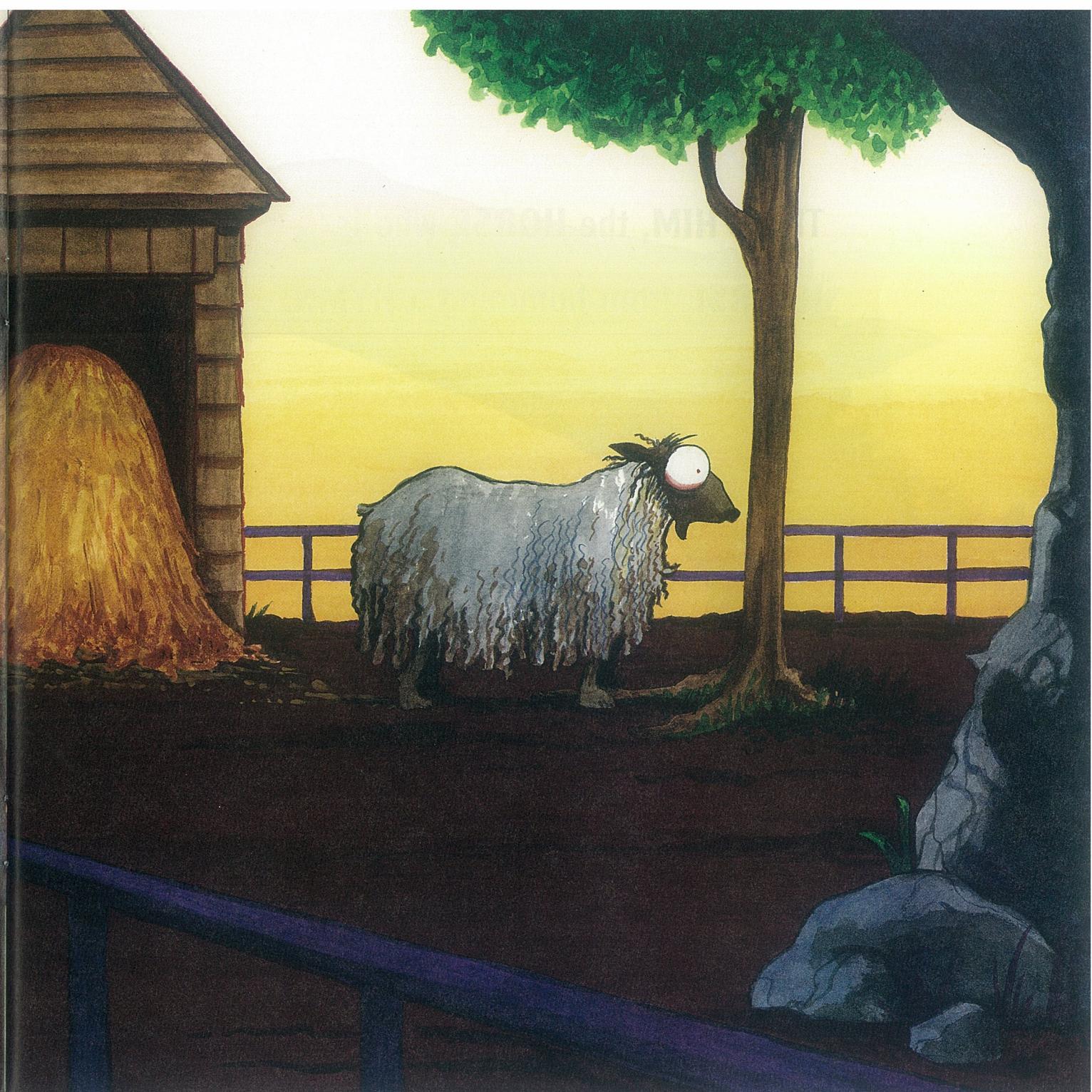
He ATE EIGHT bowls.



Have **YOU** seen the **EWE**?

She's been in a **DAZE** for **DAYS**.

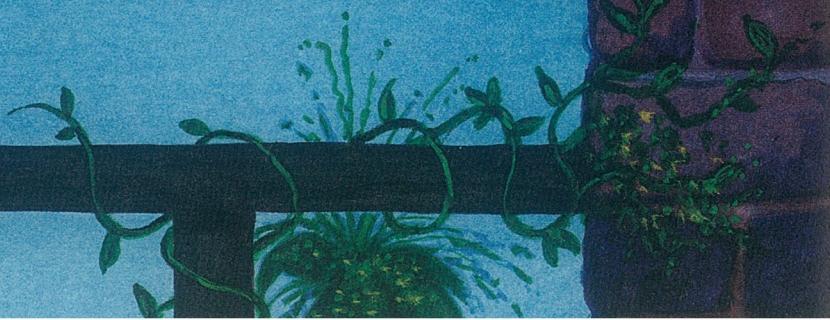


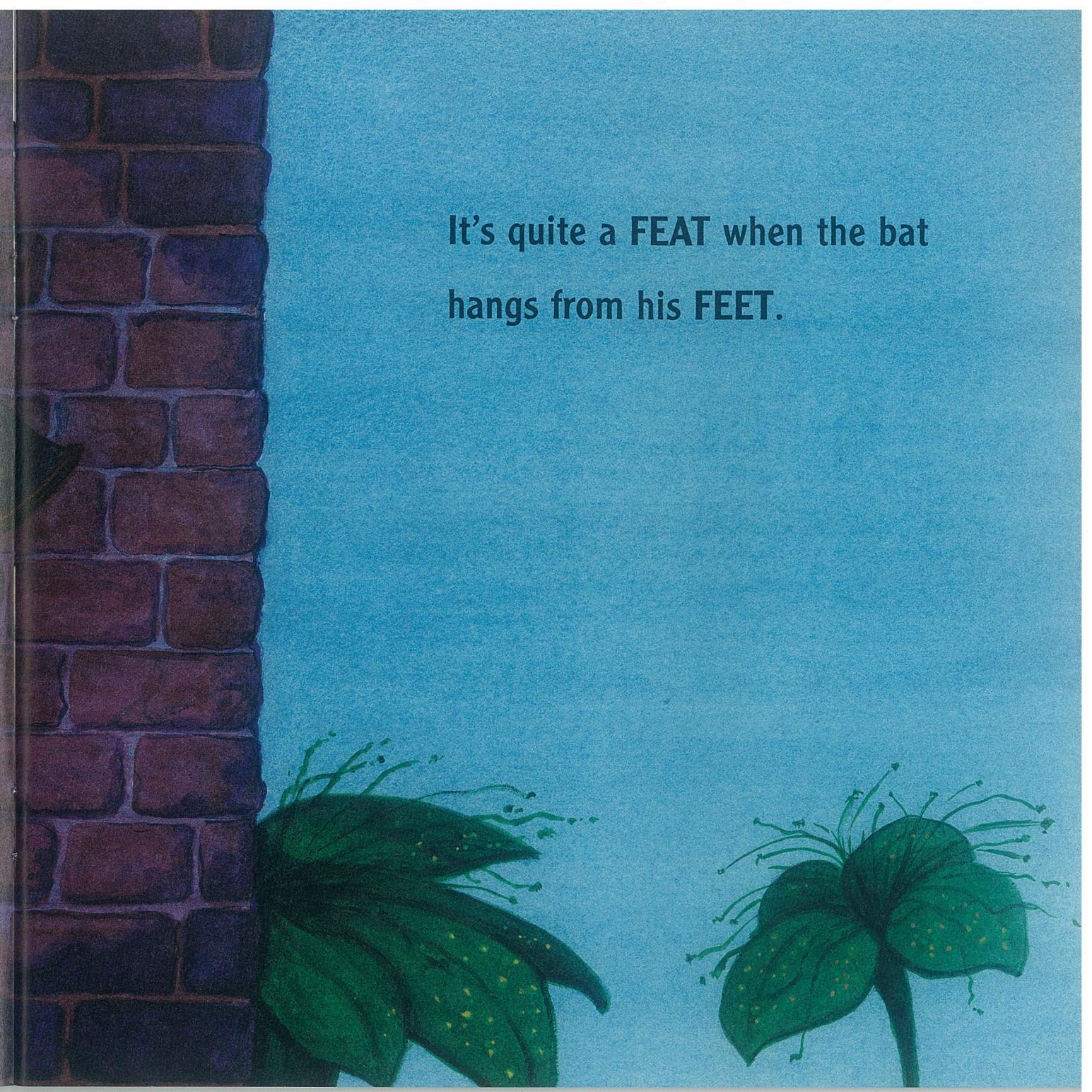


That's **HIM**, the **HORSE** who is  
**HOARSE** from humming a **HYMN**.

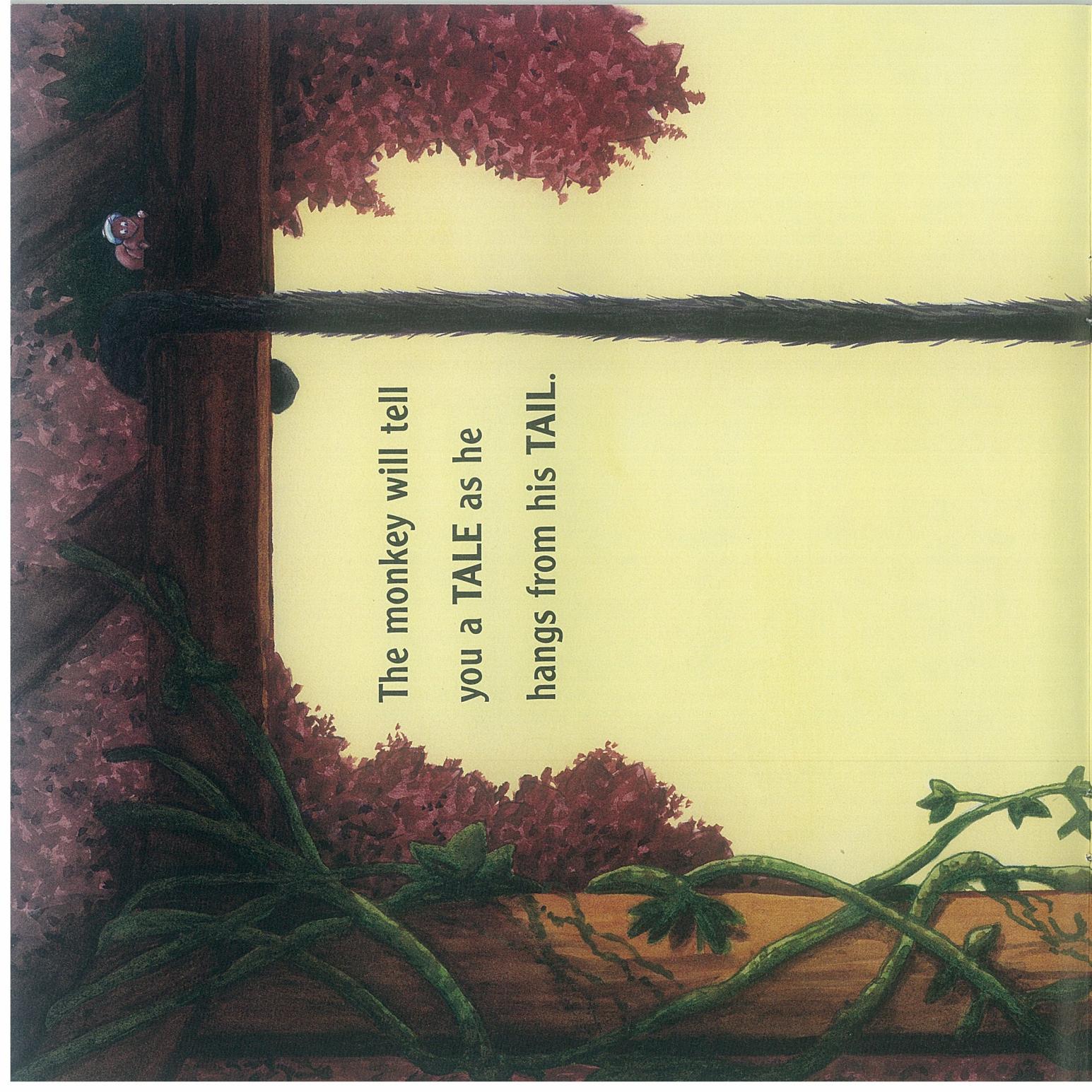




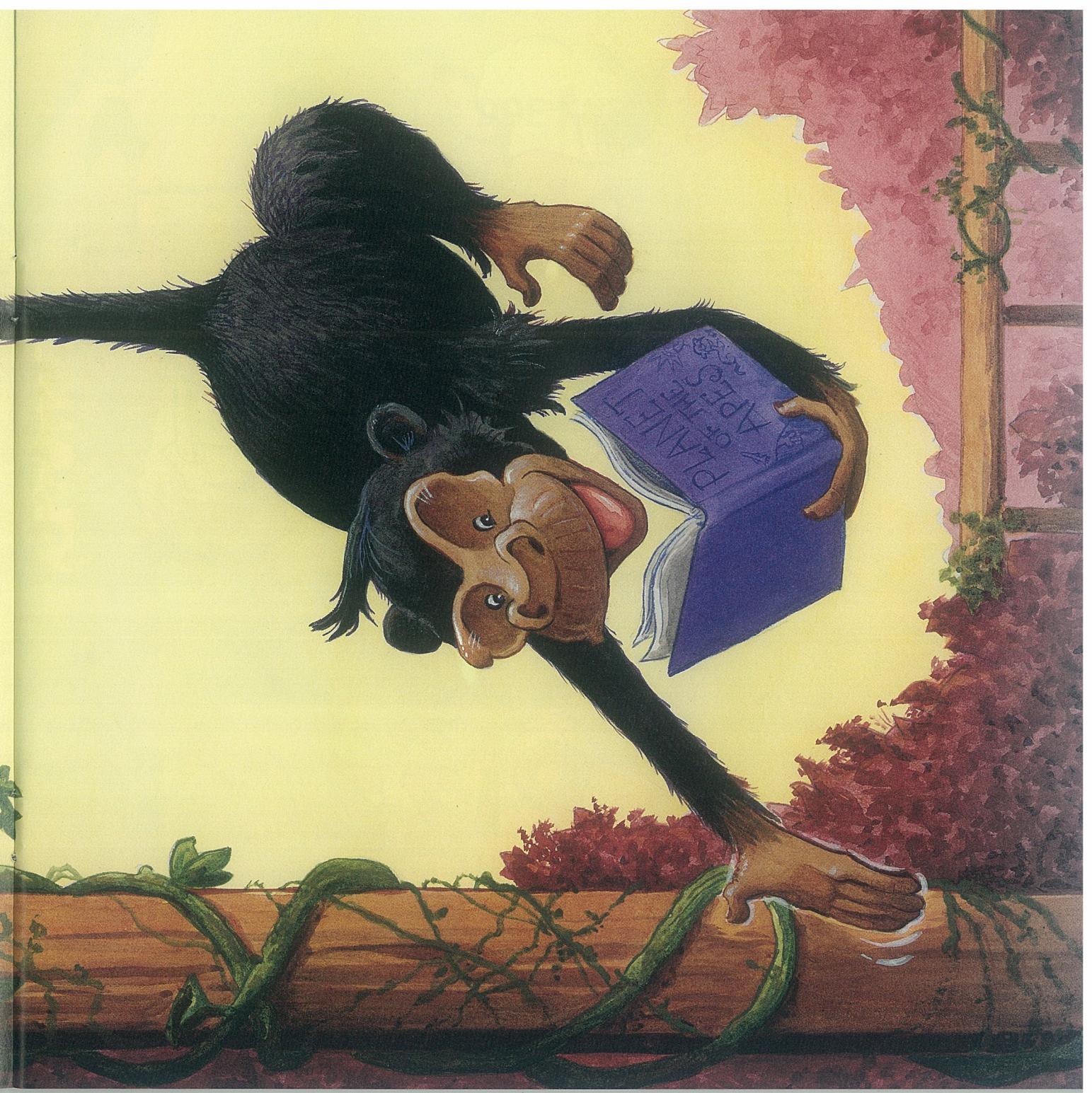


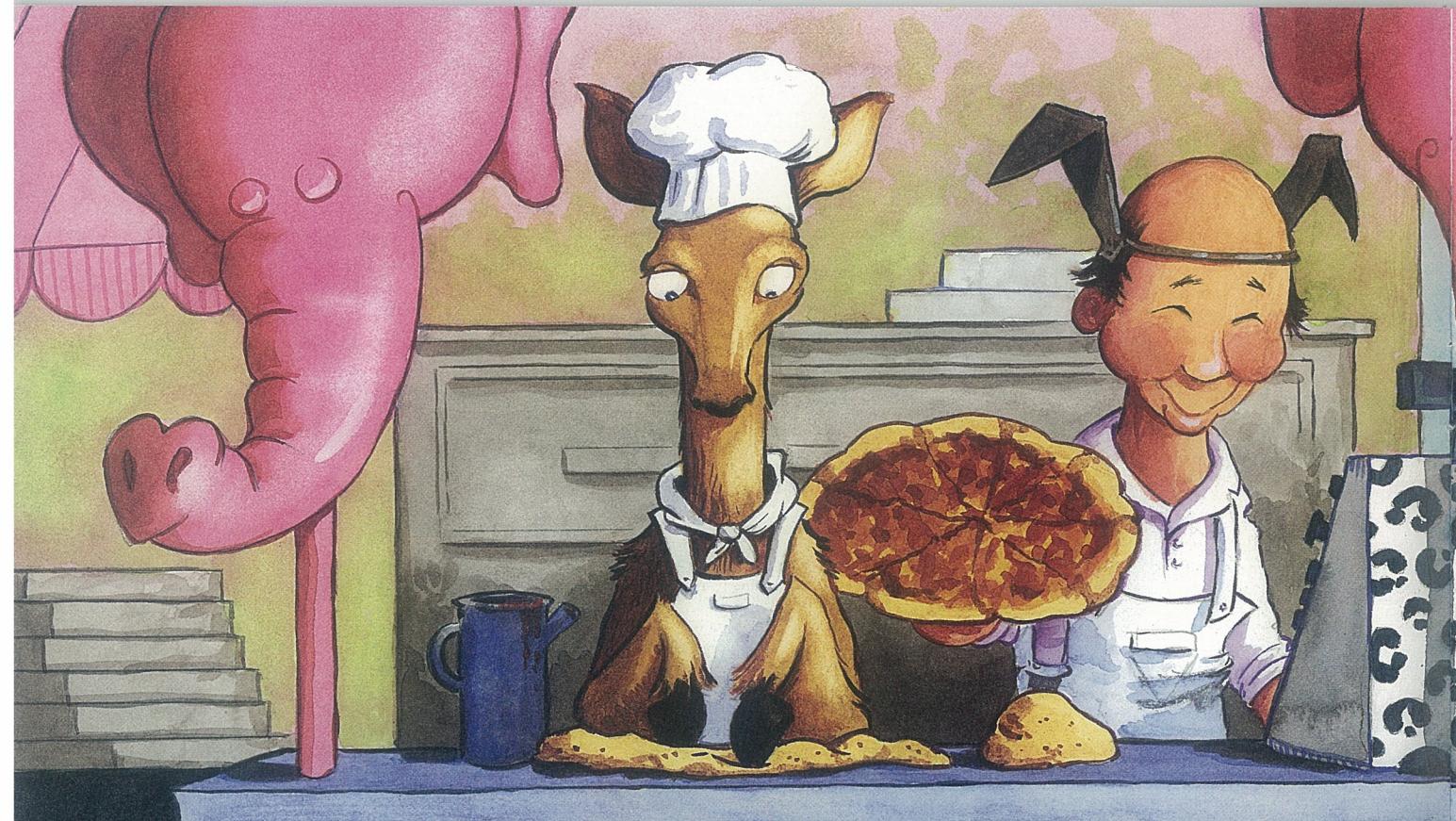


It's quite a **FEAT** when the bat  
hangs from his **FEET**.

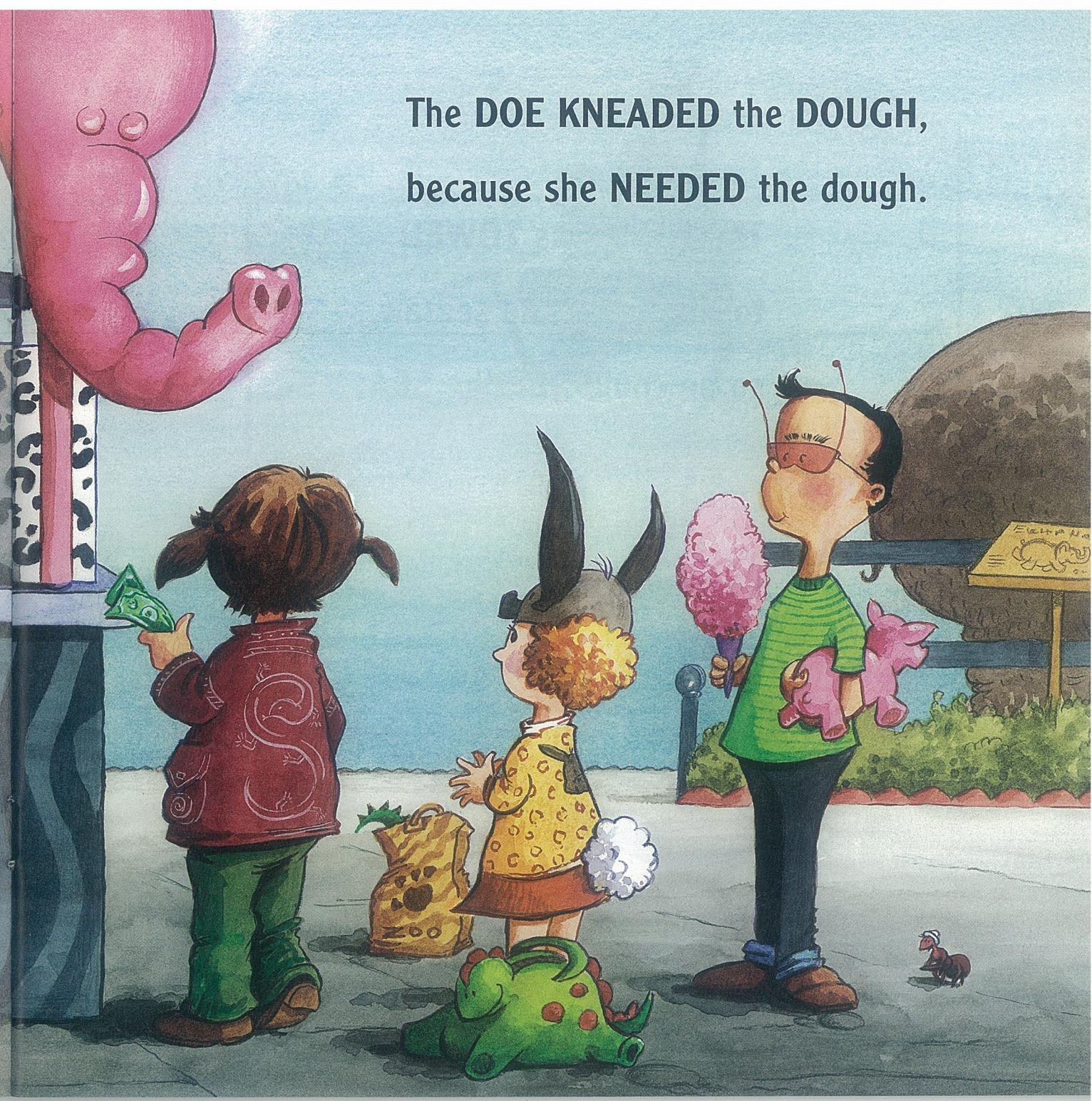


The monkey will tell  
you a TALE as he  
hangs from his TAIL.





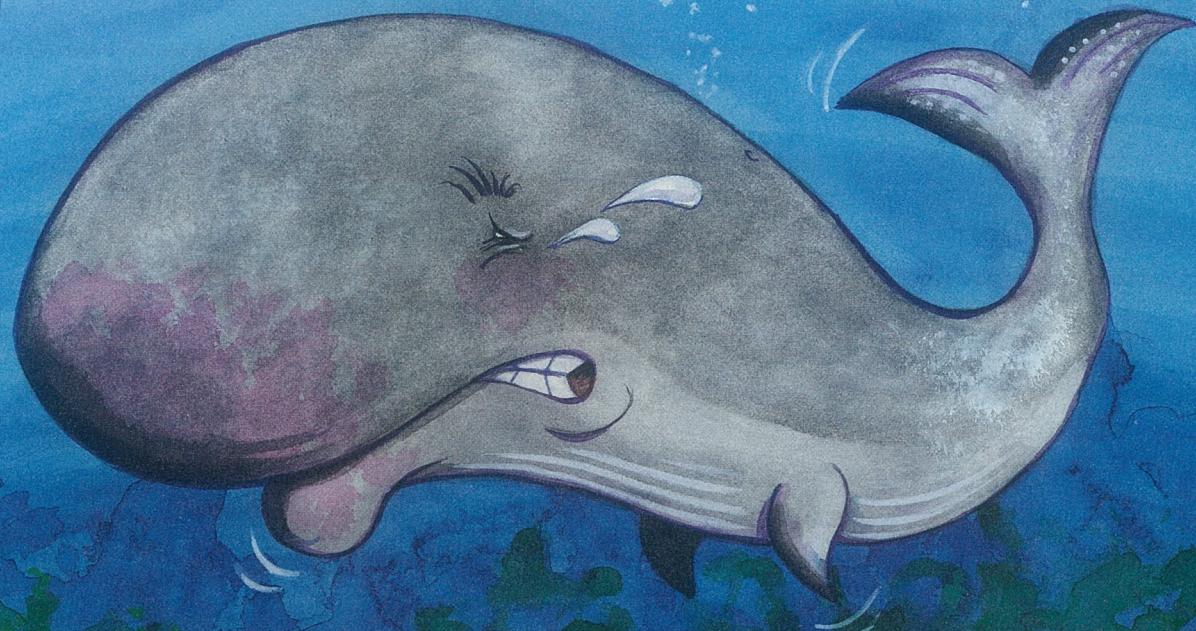
The DOE KNEADED the DOUGH,  
because she NEEDED the dough.



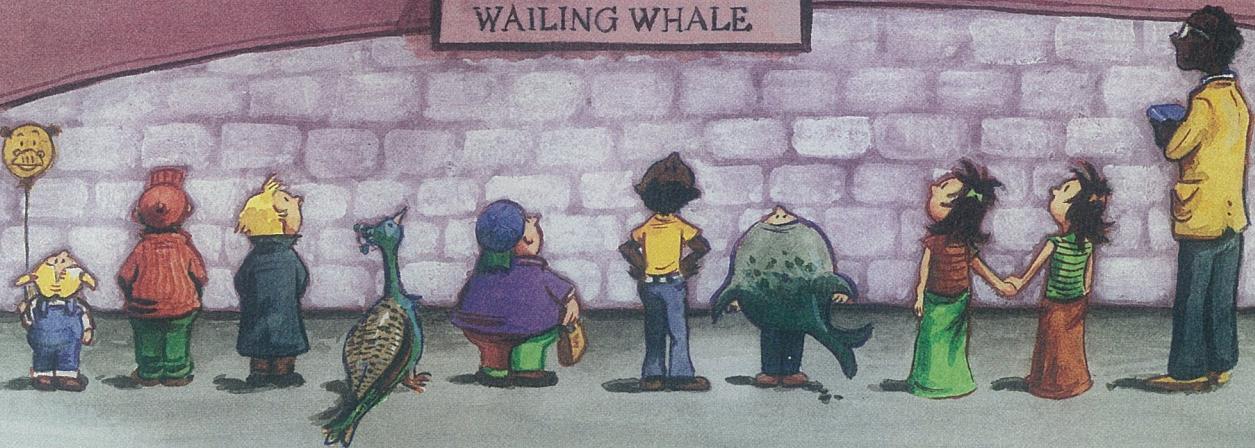
The **TOAD** was **TOWED**  
to the top of the seesaw,  
so he could **SEE** the **SEA**.

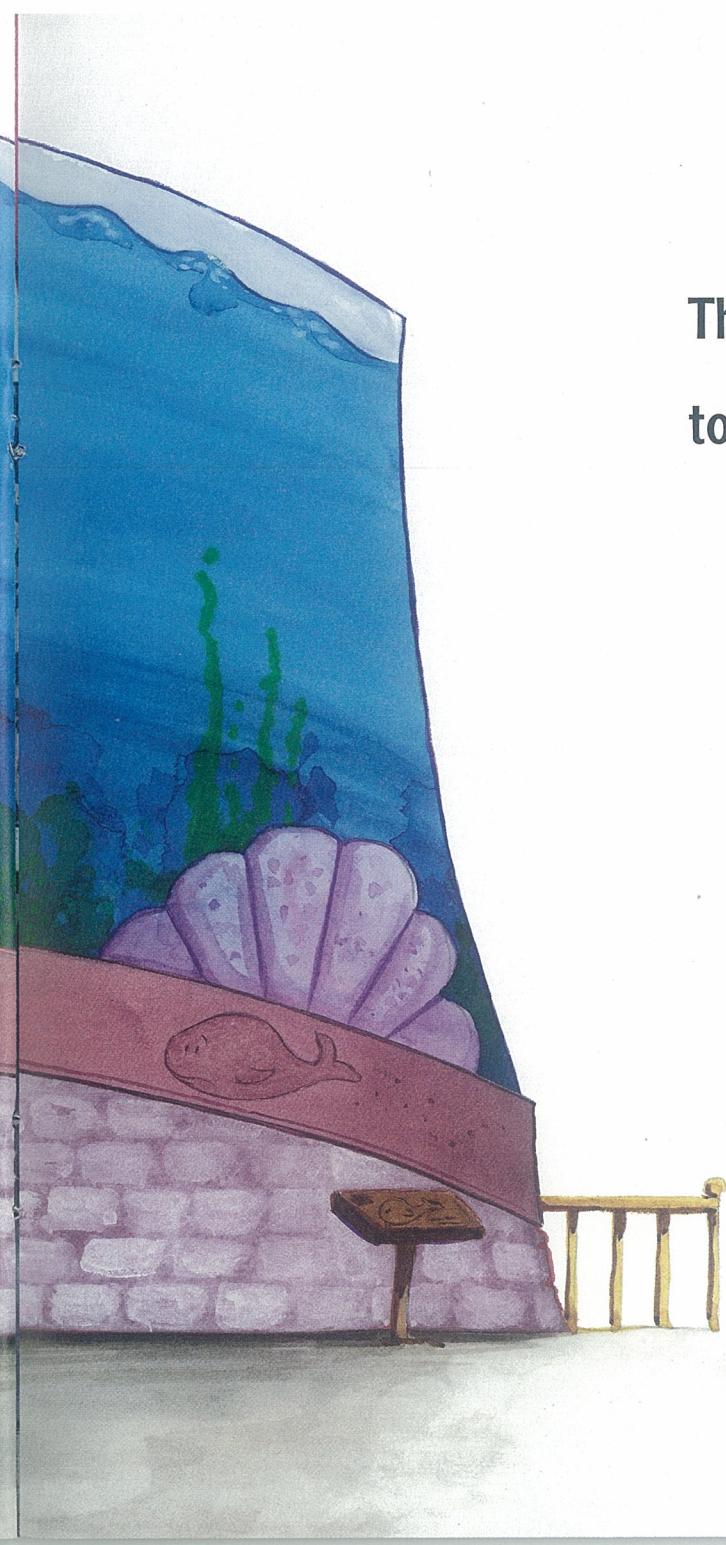




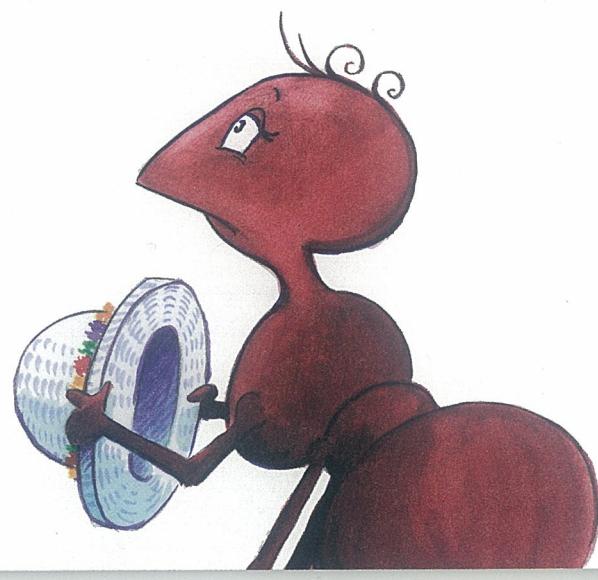


THE GREAT  
WAILING WHALE



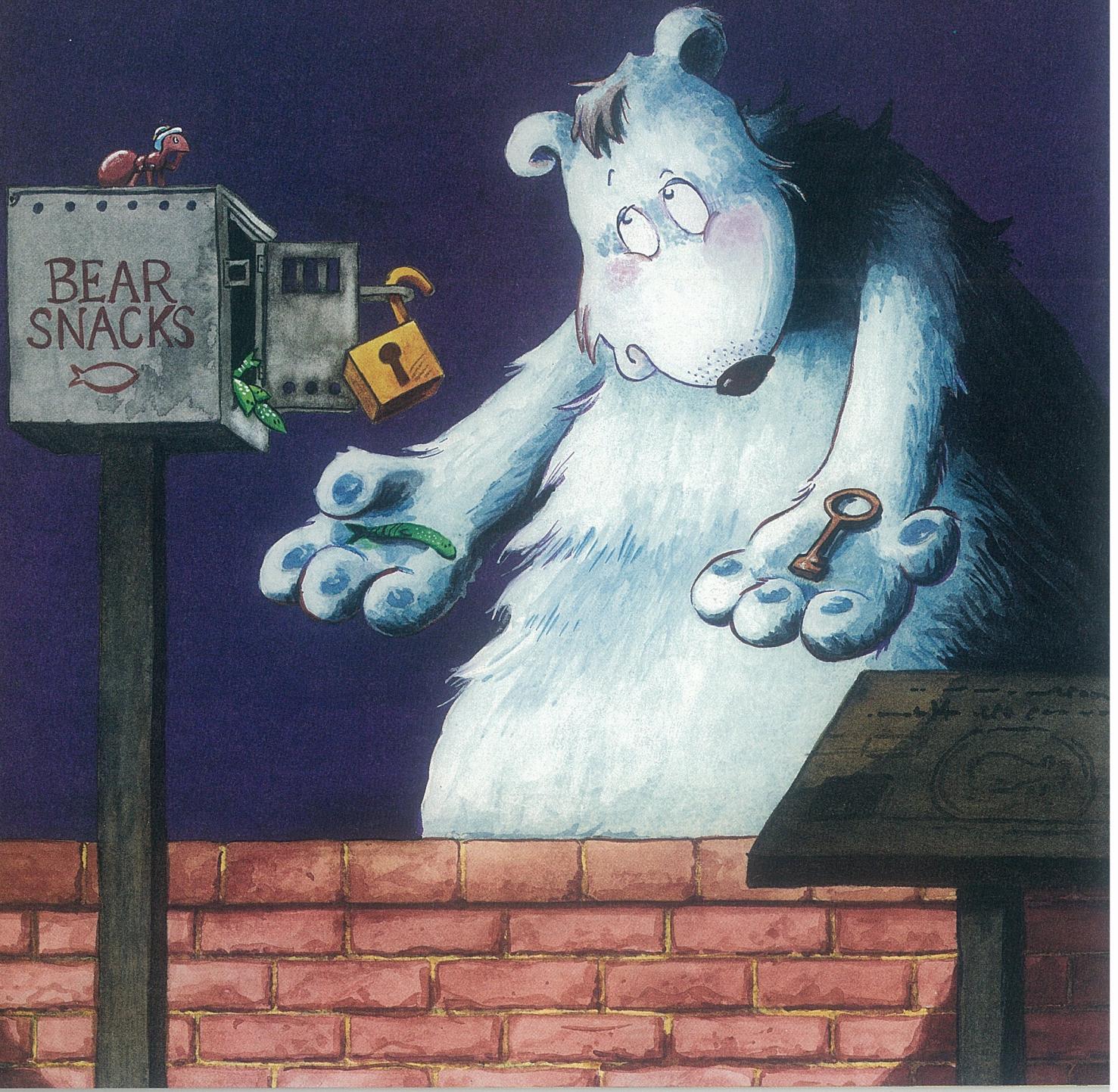


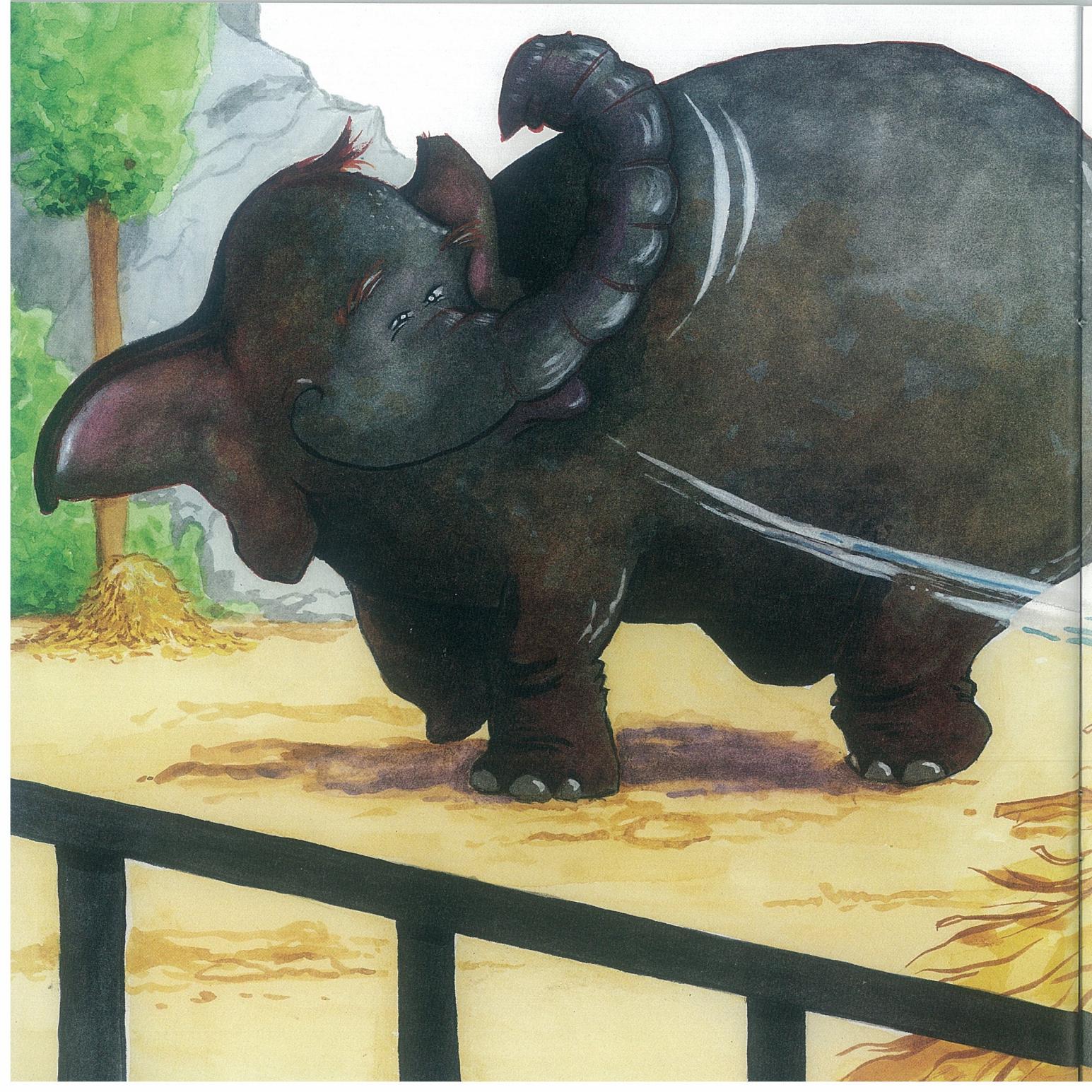
The **WHALE** was **ALLOWED**  
to **WAIL ALOUD.**



The BEAR had to PAUSE  
to BARE his big PAWS.



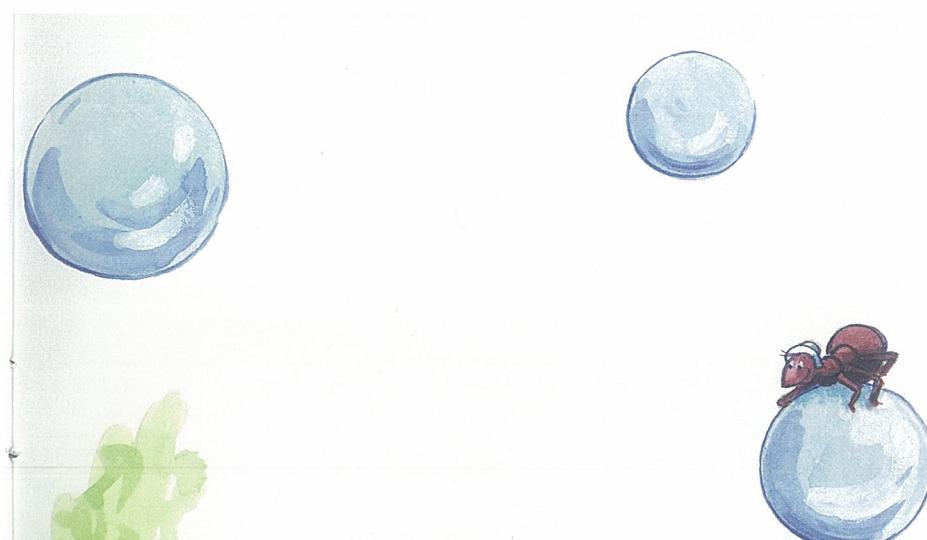




HEY, the elephant **THREW** a pail  
**THROUGH** the big bale of **HAY**!

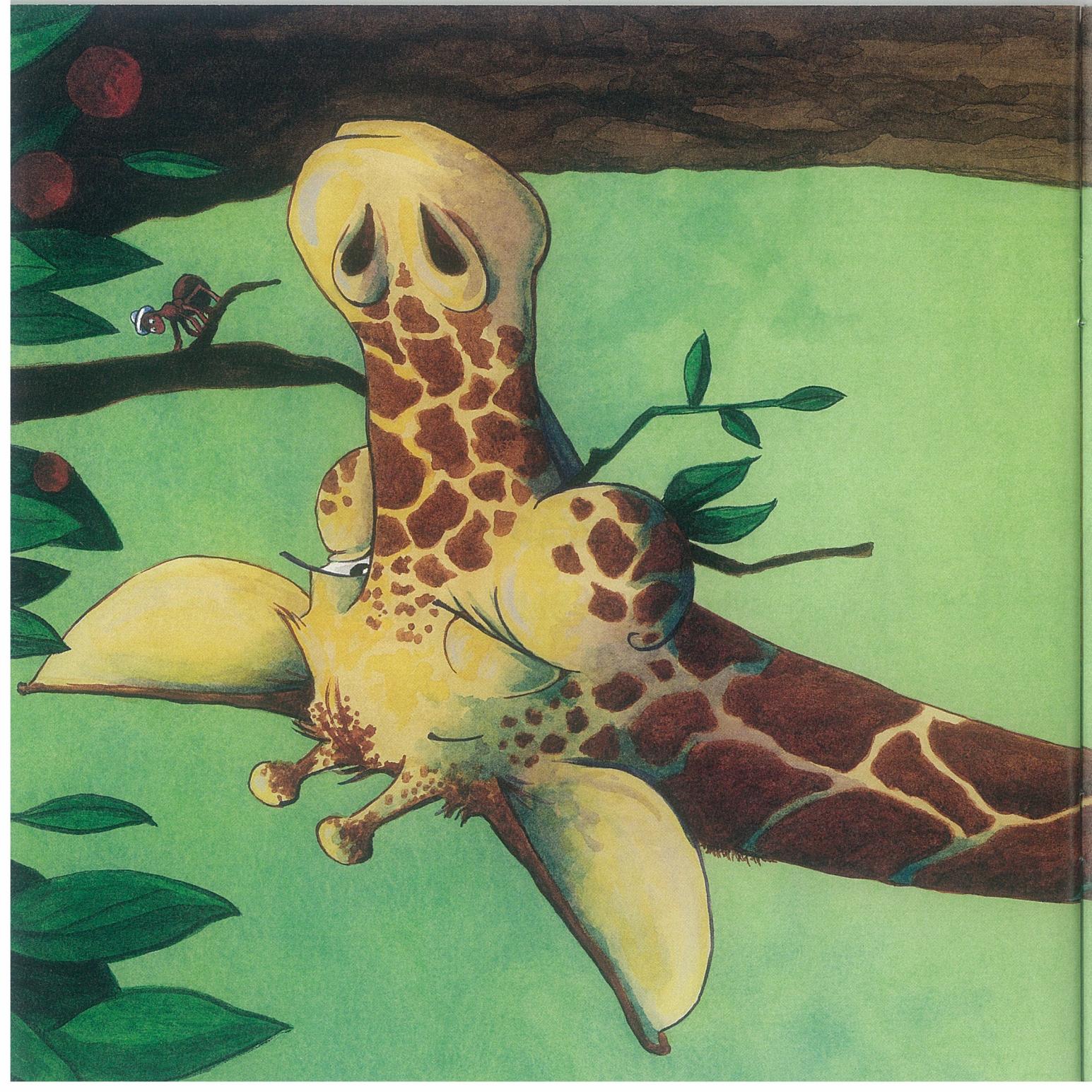


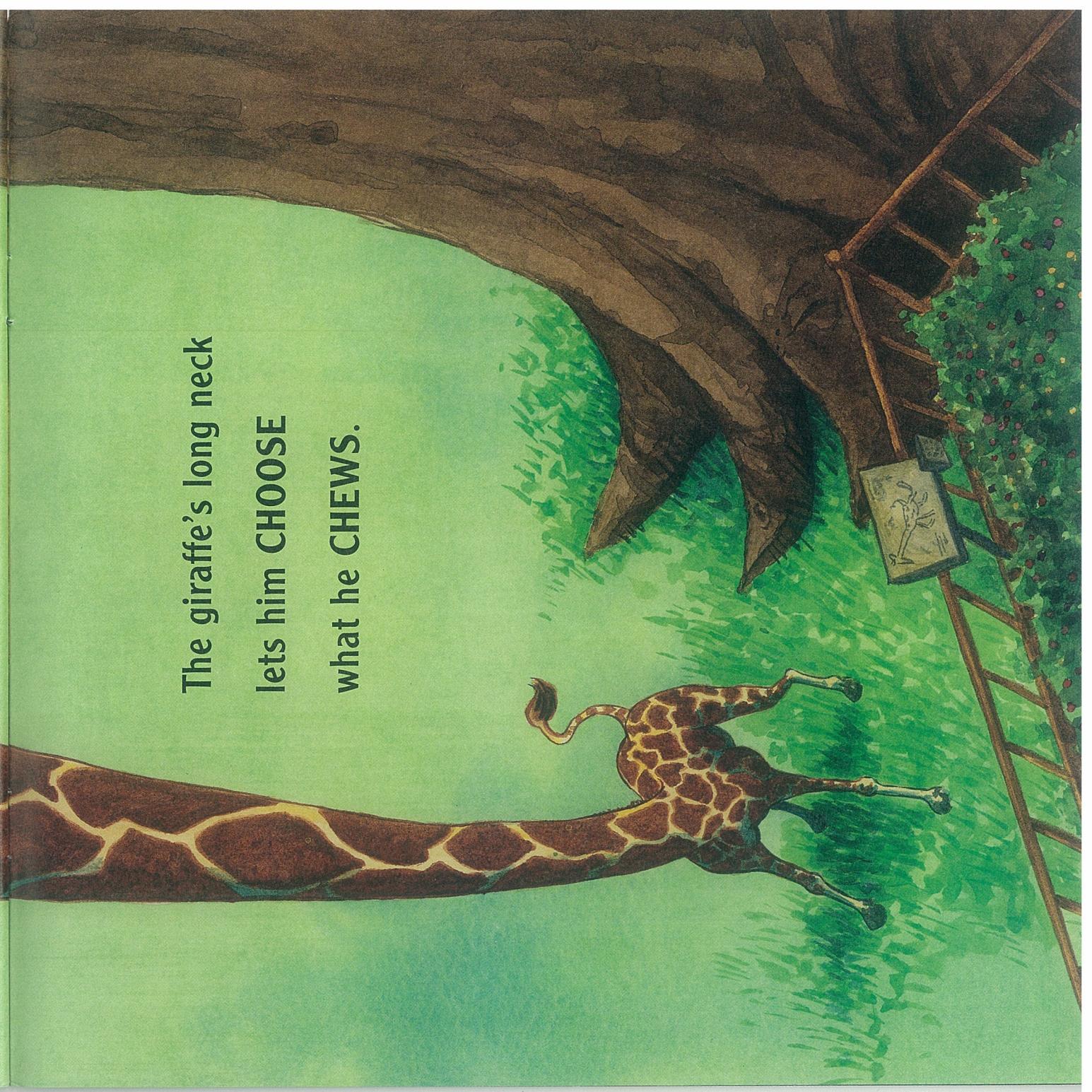




Have you **READ** about the **RED** fox  
who **BLEW** **BLUE** bubbles?

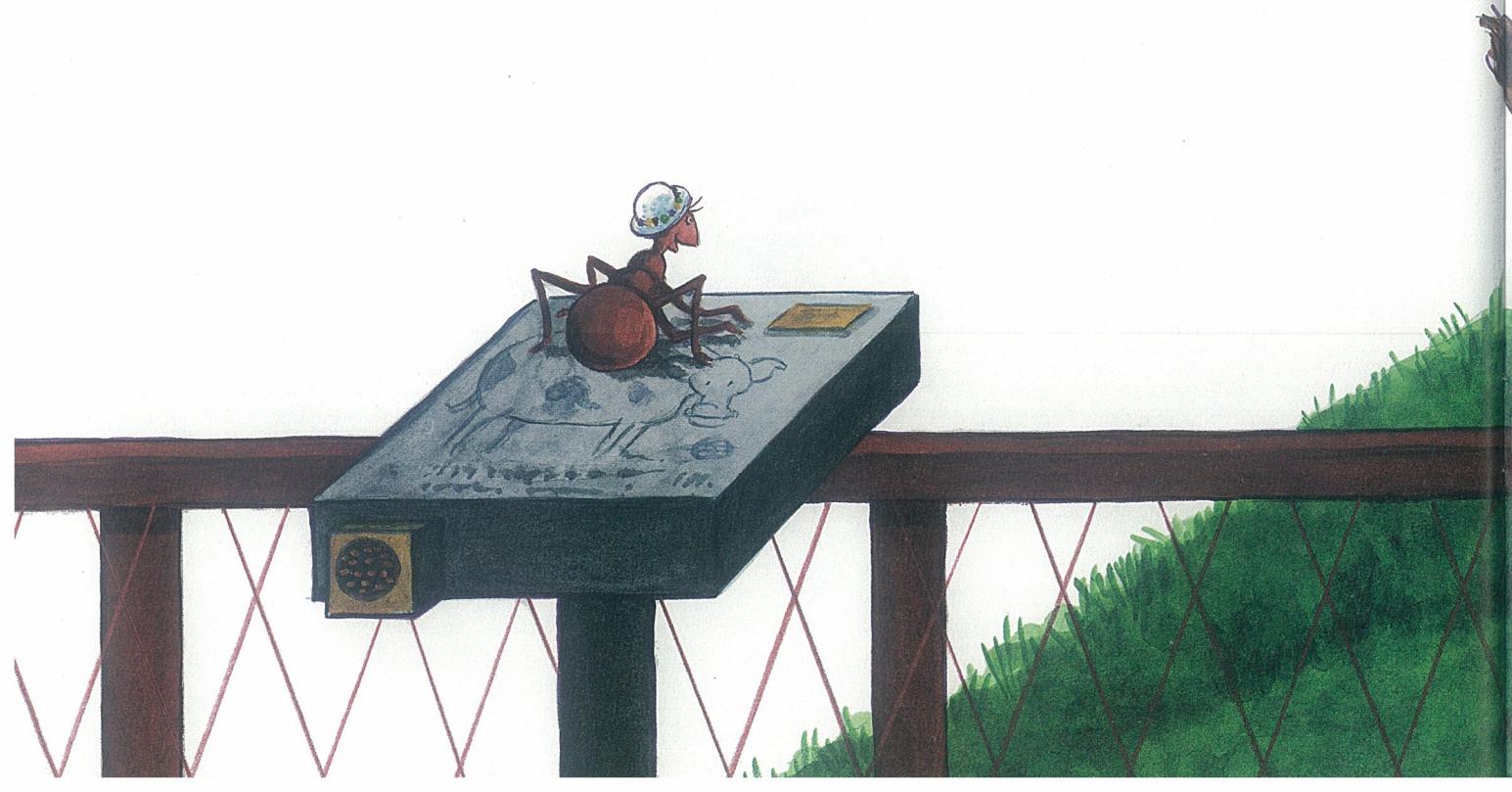






The giraffe's long neck  
lets him **CHOOSE**  
what he **CHEWS**.

The cows in the HERD  
were in a good MOOD.  
I HEARD them as they  
MOOED in harmony.



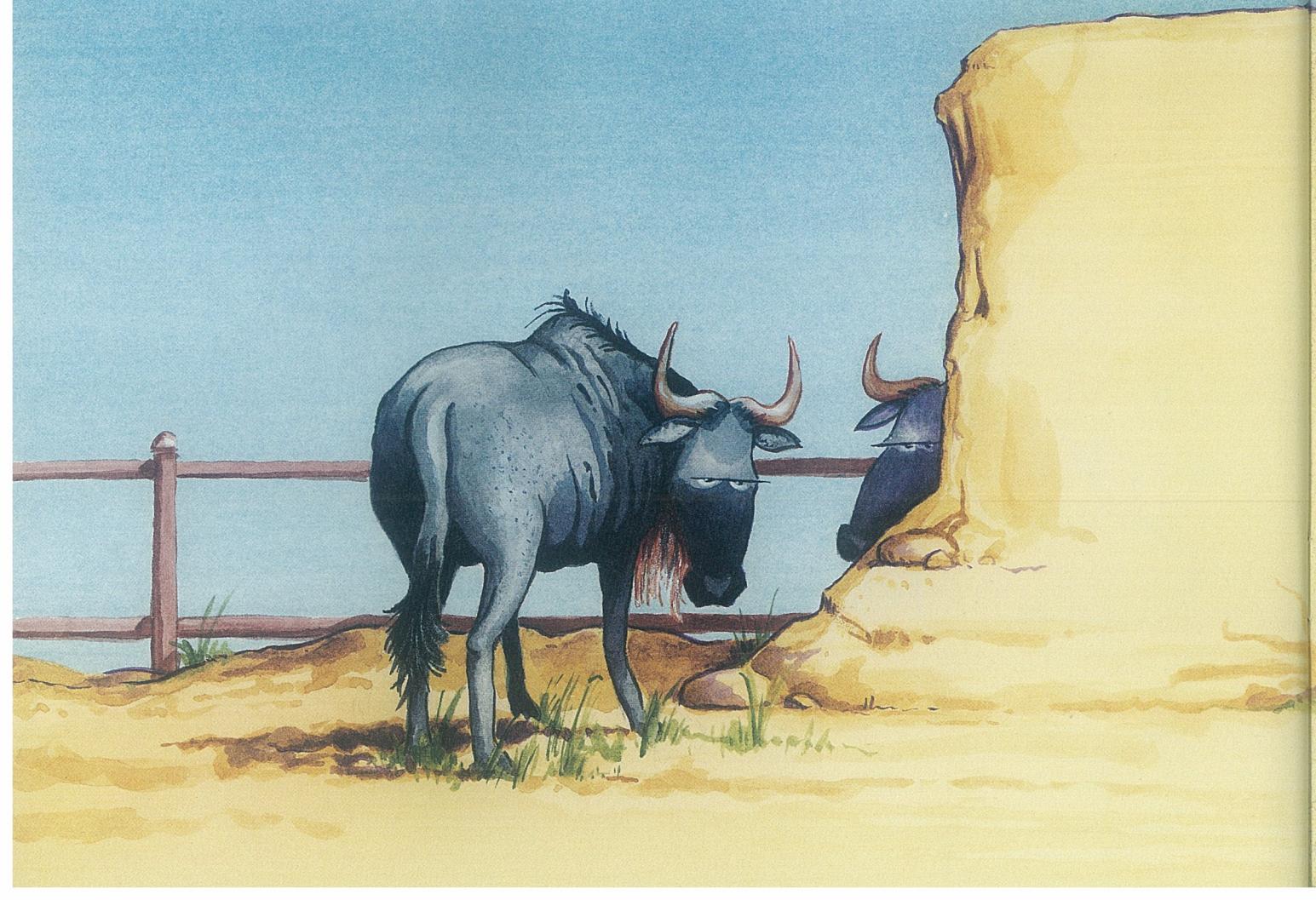


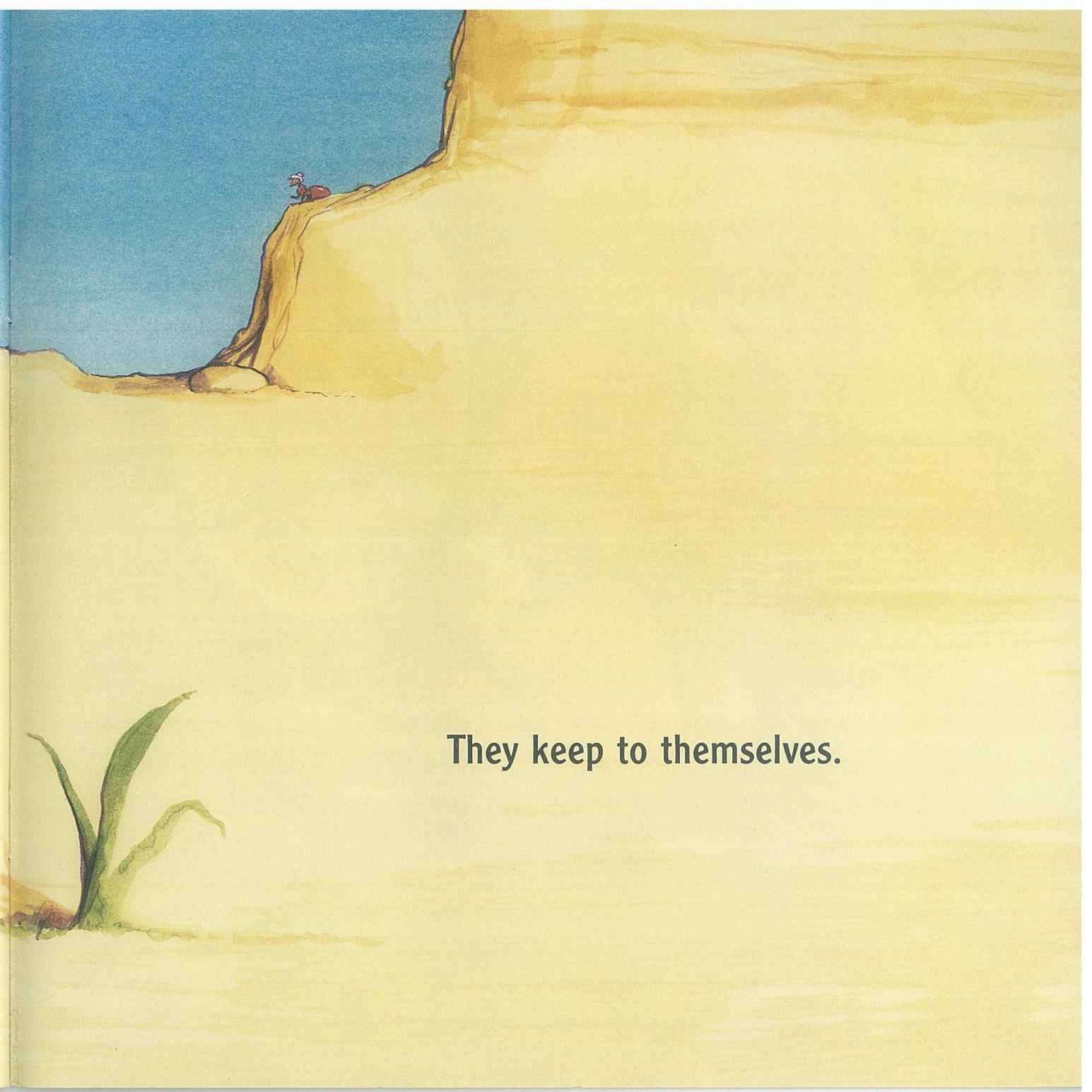
The bee **FLEW** away from the flea  
with the **FLU**. And the **BEE** can  
**BE** sure that if he had the flu the  
**FLEA** would **FLEE**, too.





There is no NEWS about the GNUS.





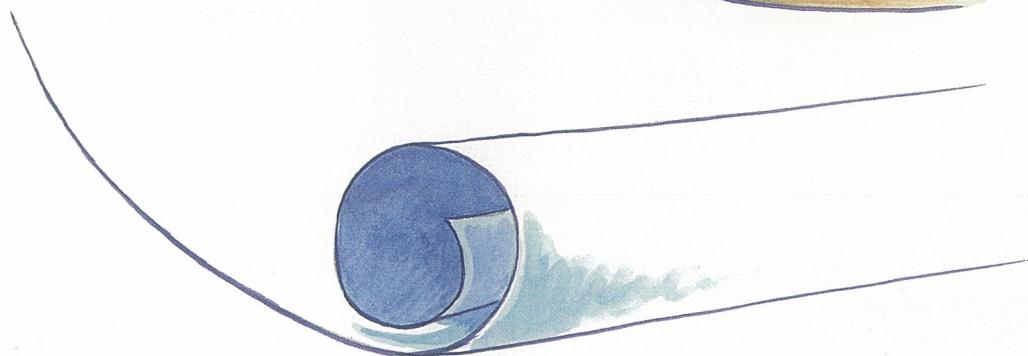
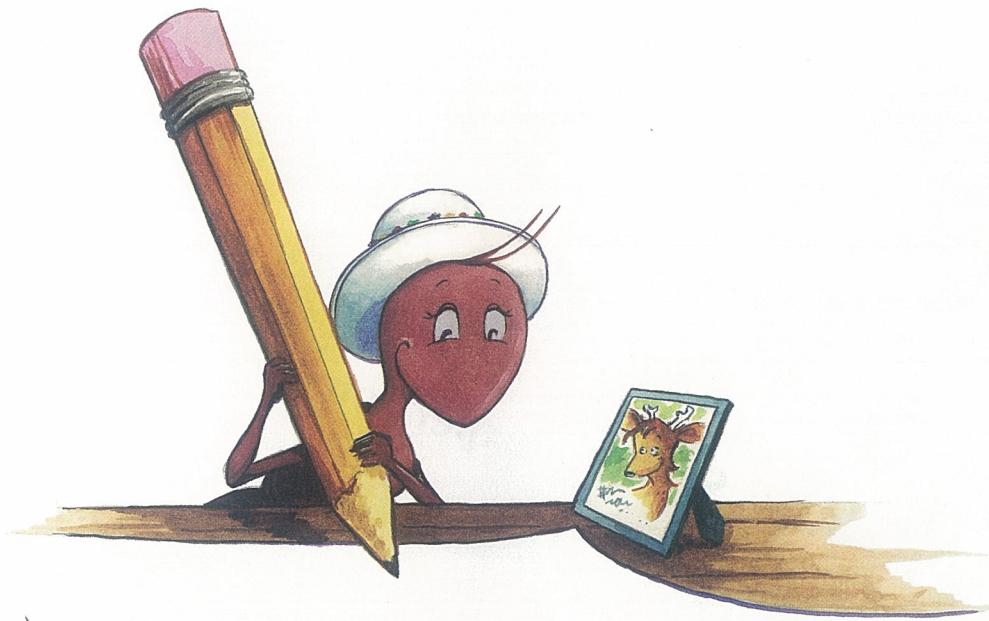
They keep to themselves.



AUNT ANT,  
You do have some very interesting new  
neighbors. I have a new neighbor, too!  
Do you KNOW about the HARE with  
NO HAIR? She's an expert on skin care.

Love,  
Your DEAR DEER







Meet all of AUNT ANT's new friends at the zoo!  
Just wait until you HEAR what happens in HERE.  
This book is filled with fun animals and homophones,  
just like the WAILING WHALE, and the HOARSE HORSE.  
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